



Interactive Session with

MICHAEL JOHN CARLEY

Healthy Autism Parenting



There has been a lot of discussion lately about parent involvement in intervention and the idea of being a parent, not a therapist. This session will explore the idea of healthy parenting with a child with autism and levels of involvement in services. Michael John Carley will present the latest research on what leads to the best outcomes for families and best practice in autism. As a parent of an adult son with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and an adult with ASD himself, he will share his perspectives on building trust and avoiding the temptation of alarmist rhetoric.

- Monday September 24th 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM (Maier SOUTH)
**this session will also be webcast*
- Thursday September 27th 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM (Maier Centre)
- Thursday September 27th 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM (Maier Centre)

This event is FREE and open to all parents and community members. Please register by calling 780.495.9235

Michael John Carley is the founder, and first Executive Director of GRASP, the largest organization in the world comprised of adults on the autism spectrum. One of two people on the autism spectrum to address Congress in their first-ever hearings on autism, he has addressed the United Nations, and his articles have been published in magazines such as Autism Spectrum News, Autism Spectrum Quarterly, and Autism/Asperger Digest.

He has a column with Huffington Post and has written Asperger's From the Inside Out: A Supportive and Practical Guide for Anyone with Asperger's Syndrome and Unemployed on the Autism Spectrum He also proudly sits on the Board of Directors of NEXT for Autism, and additionally he reviews for the Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders.

Along with his (then) 4-year old son, he was diagnosed with AS in November of 2000. Re-evaluated under DSM-5 in 2014 he was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder. He lives with his wife, Kathryn Herzog, and 2 sons in Green Bay, Wisconsin. After decades of New York City, they recently moved to the Midwest to take care of family and write on a porch—when it isn't freezing.

